Docket No.: 062807-0043

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Hideaki TSUSHIMA, et al.

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For: OPTICAL SWITCHING EQUIPMENT, OPTICAL TRANSPORT NETWORK, AND

METHODS OF USING THEM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2004, now due to expire March 1, 2005, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on April 1, 2005.

Please charge the extension fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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